Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 12 May 2022 until 23:59 on Friday 13 May 2022

Forecast Issued on Thursday 12 May 2022 at 03:06 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High, but Medium for cloud details

Headline for Thursday 12 May 2022: Bright start, then showers or longer spells of rain. Windy and cold, summit gales.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 12 May 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Medium Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Dull	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Sleet	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
10%	30%	50%	50%	60%	70%

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Weather: A bright start with rather patchy cloud, but cloud soon increasing from the west, bringing showers or longer outbreaks of rain, the rain turning heavy and persistent late afternoon around Ben Lawers and Ben Vorlich, perhaps wintry at first over the highest summits. Conditions will stay driest and brightest for longest over the Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills. Windy, summit gales and feeling cold.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80% overnight and early morning, falling 20% by midday around Ben Lawers and the west and 40% in the north.

Low Cloud and visibility: Patchy summit cloud early morning, but soon extensive, base 900m, patches to 600m at times. Visibility mostly very good at first, but soon moderate in rain or showers, and becoming poor or very poor at height.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	30/34 W	30/36 W	32/41 SW	37/47 SW	36/45 SW	38/48 SW	36/45 W
900	21/25 W	25/31 W	27/36 SW	29/39 SW	27/36 SW	28/38 SW	25/35 W
600	16/24 W	16/26 W	19/33 SW	20/35 SW	17/31 SW	19/34 SW	17/31 W
300	9/19 W	12/23 W	15/29 SW	15/31 SW	11/24 SW	12/27 SW	12/25 W
Glen	8/17 SW	12/22 W	15/28 SW	15/30 SW	13/26 SW	12/24 SW	11/24 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-1/-10	0/-8	1/-7	2/-6	1/-7	1/-8	1/-7
900	1/-5	2/-4	3/-3	4/-3	4/-3	3/-4	3/-4
600	4/-1	6/1	7/2	7/2	6/2	5/0	5/0
300	6/3	9/6	10/7	10/7	9/6	8/4	8/4
Glen	7/5	10/7	11/8	11/8	10/8	9/6	8/6
Freezing Level*	900m	1100m	1300m	1400m	1400m	1300m	1300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Conditions quickly deteriorating around Ben Lawers and the west.

Forecast for Friday 13 May 2022
Weather: A cloudy and overcast start with patchy light rain and drizzle. Becoming mainly dry and the cloud beginning to lift and break during the afternoon and evening. Windy with summits gales.

Maximum wind: West 30 to 40mph, gusting 55mph over the summits, easing slightly by evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Nil to 30% becoming 50% to 80% by evening, the best of the conditions around Mount Keen and the north.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive, base 600 to 900m, lifting and breaking during the day. Visibility starting poor or very poor at height, but becoming mainly good or very good after a damp start.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 Celsius rising to 15 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 5 to 8 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits

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